

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA
STATESBORO DIVISION

KIMBERLY REDDICK FRIESE,

Plaintiff,

v.

MARTIN O'MALLEY,
Commissioner of Social Security,

Defendant.

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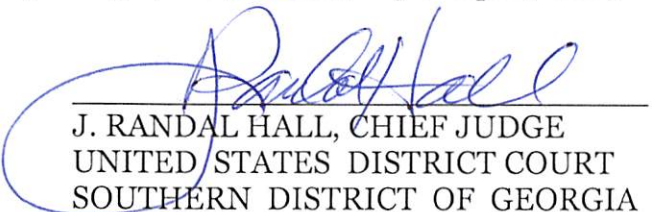
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ORDER

After a careful de novo review of the record in this case, the Court concurs with the Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendation (R&R) (doc. no. 20), to which no objections have been filed. Accordingly, the R&R is ADOPTED as the opinion of the Court, and Plaintiff's Motion for Attorney's Fees is GRANTED. (Doc. no. 18).

Plaintiff is awarded \$1,928.91 in attorney's fees under the Equal Access to Justice Act ("EAJA"). Upon the entry of this Order, the Commissioner will determine whether Plaintiff owes a debt to the Government that qualifies under the Treasury Offset Program, 31 U.S.C. §§ 3711, 3716. If Plaintiff owes such a debt, the fee award will be applied towards that debt with any remaining funds remitted to Plaintiff. If not, the entire award will be remitted to Plaintiff. See Astrue v. Ratliff, 560 U.S. 586, 589 (2010). The Government may, in its discretion, accept the Plaintiff's assignment of EAJA fees and pay the away directly to Plaintiff's counsel. (See doc. no. 18 at 2; doc. no. 20 at 5 n.3).

ORDER ENTERED at Augusta, Georgia, this 23rd day of April, 2024.


J. RANDAL HALL, CHIEF JUDGE
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